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**THE BIPARTISAN CONGRESSIONAL TASK FORCE ON
ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE
KICK-OFF EVENT
Tuesday, June 8th**

**Meet "Niles"
David Hyde Pierce (co-star of *Frasier*)**

Dear Colleague,

The Alzheimer's Association recently sent you an invitation to celebrate the announcement of the Bipartisan Congressional Task Force on Alzheimer's Disease. This reception will be held on **Tuesday, June 8th from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in room HC-6** with special guest David Hyde Pierce ("Niles" on the hit T.V. show *Frasier*).

As co-chairs of this new Task Force, we would like to encourage your attendance and invite you to join us in the fight to combat Alzheimer's Disease by becoming a member.

Currently, Alzheimer's Disease affects 4 million people nationwide and will affect 14 million by 2050. Like an impending hurricane, Alzheimer's is on track to wreak havoc on our nation's health care system, and in its wake millions of American families will be left in emotional and financial ruin. To head off this crisis it's time for Congress to become more involved. The Bipartisan Congressional Task Force on Alzheimer's Disease will sponsor briefings to broaden Members' understanding of Alzheimer's and to fight for increased national awareness, stronger prevention initiatives, and hopefully a cure.

Now is the time to head off the health care hurricane on the horizon! Congress must act today in addressing this devastating illness. We urge you to join the Bipartisan Congressional Task Force on Alzheimer's Disease today by contacting either of us personally, or Angelique Skoulas with Rep. Ed Markey's staff at 52836 or Andy Napoli with Rep. Christopher Smith's staff at 53765.

Sincerely,
Edward J. Markey
Christopher H. Smith